

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The vision of the Toastmasters International organization is to empower people to achieve their full potential and realize their dreams; and,

Whereas, Toastmasters International is the world's leading organization devoted to communications, public speaking, and leadership skills, and has over 210,000 members in 90 countries; and,

Whereas, Since the Toastmasters organization began in 1924, more than 3 million men and women have benefited from its communication and leadership programs; and,

Whereas, Members of Toastmasters benefit from improved communication skills, constructive evaluations, better meeting facilitation skills, leadership skills, and increased self-confidence as an added dividend; and,

Whereas, The mission of a Toastmasters club is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every member has the opportunity to develop communication and leadership skills, which in turn foster self-confidence and personal growth; and,

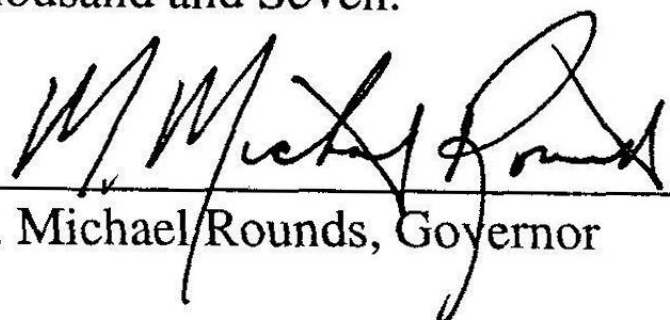
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 2007 as

TOASTMASTERS MONTH


in South Dakota, and I encourage all South Dakota citizens to take this opportunity to visit a Toastmasters International Club and enjoy the benefits of a friendly, supportive environment for self-improvement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State